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Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated October 4, 2004, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1, 2, 8-11, 13-21 and 29 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including April 4, 2005.

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